

MEDITATIONS ON THE TRUE CHRISTIAN LIFE

....*"This book of the law [the Word of God] shall not depart from [always be in] your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful [take heed] to do according to all that is written in it; for THEN you will make your way prosperous, and THEN you will have success".... Joshua 1:8 NASB*

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* Prayer is reaching out after the unseen; fasting is letting go of all that is seen and temporal.

....*"Jesus said, "Trust in God." Truly, anyone who speaks to that mountain yonder saying, "Dump yourself in the lake", and does not become separated from the statement he makes - that person will actualize his statement. When anyone's expression in prayer is congruent with his inner being his desire will be actualized. Because of this principle, when you discover your soul's deepest desires, state them in your prayers and consider them to have occurred - they will! When you are making these statements which spring from your innermost being, forgive ANY person against whom you have a grudge so that your desires do not get ensnared by your grudges. When you forgive others, your Father will forgive you, and your relationship with Him will be [remain] positive".... Mark 11:22-26 Ben Campbell Johnson Paraphrase*

....*"Is this not the fast which I choose, to loosen the bonds of wickedness, to undo the bands of the yoke, and to let the oppressed go free and break every yoke?... If because of the sabbath [rest], you turn your foot from doing your OWN pleasure on My holy day, and call the sabbath a delight, the holy day of the LORD honorable, and honor it, desisting from your OWN ways, from seeking your OWN pleasure and speaking your OWN word, THEN you will take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride on the heights of the earth [Ephesians 2:6]".... Isaiah 58:6, 13-14a NASB*